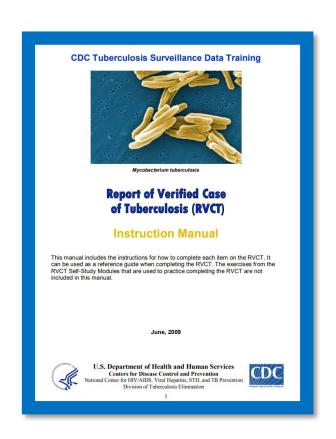
## Report of Verified Case of Tuberculosis (RVCT) Data Entry Guide for use with the Virginia Electronic Disease Surveillance System (VEDSS)

- Please contact Laura Young, TB Epi with VDH, with any questions.
  - 804-864-7922
  - laura.r.young@vdh.virginia.gov
- For additional details about RVCT definitions, you may also refer to the RVCT manual
  - The RVCT manual is a 2009 publication and there have been a few changes made to the data we are allowed to capture. Please contact Laura regarding questions about discrepancies.
- For additional information about case definitions, please refer to <u>Appendix A</u> and <u>B</u> of CDC's annual TB report.



## General notes

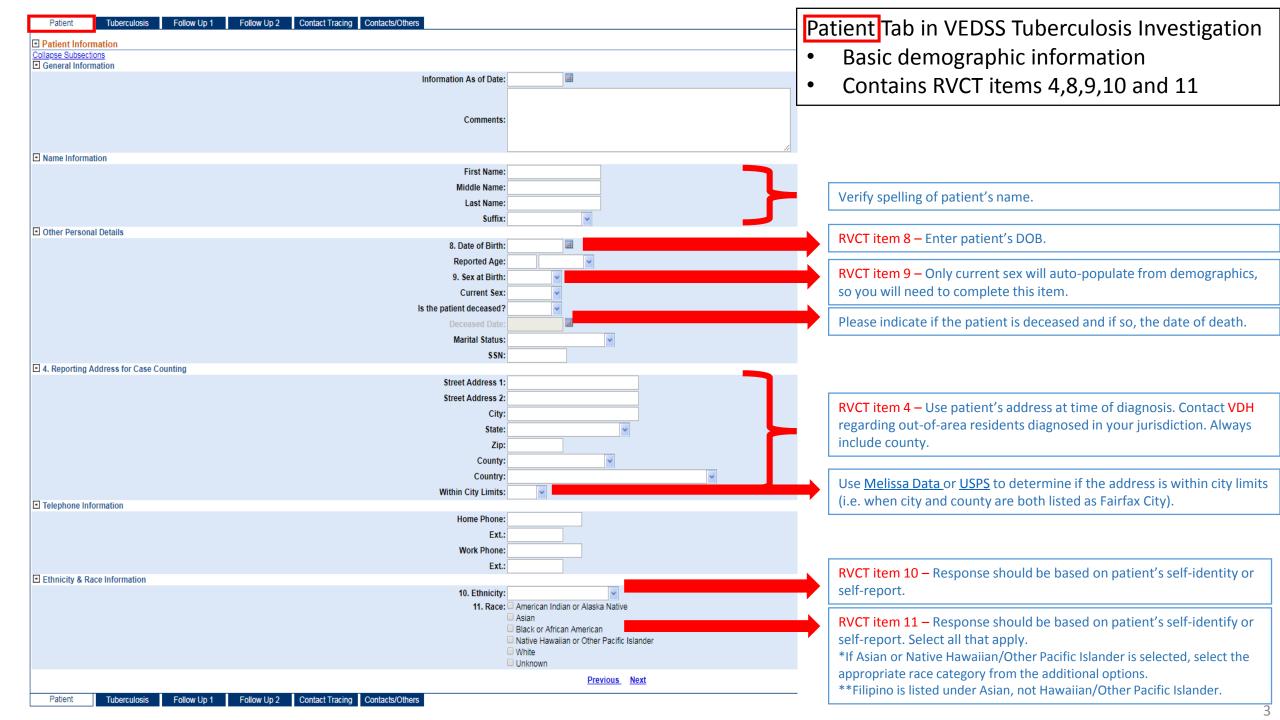
- Initial RVCT data for a suspected or confirmed TB case should be entered into VEDSS within three days of the health district learning about the case.
- VEDSS does not currently accept 99 or 9999 as a valid entry for an unknown day, month or year.
  - If only year is known, use 07/01/XXXX.
- If an item was "not done" or "negative", enter that information and do not leave the item blank.
- If an item is pending, do **not** select pending, leave the item blank until you have the information.
- For lab results:
  - Any positive results supersedes all other test results
- For reporting laboratory types:
  - Public Health Laboratory = any laboratory associated with a local or state health department (e.g. DCLS, Fairfax PHL)
  - Commercial laboratory = any laboratory that charges a fee for each specimen processed or test performed
  - Other = any other laboratory that is not considered a public health lab or a commercial lab (e.g. National Jewish, CDC, Hospital laboratories, Veterans Administration, Bureau of Prisons)
- To save information you have entered, click the "Submit" button at the top or bottom of the VEDSS page.

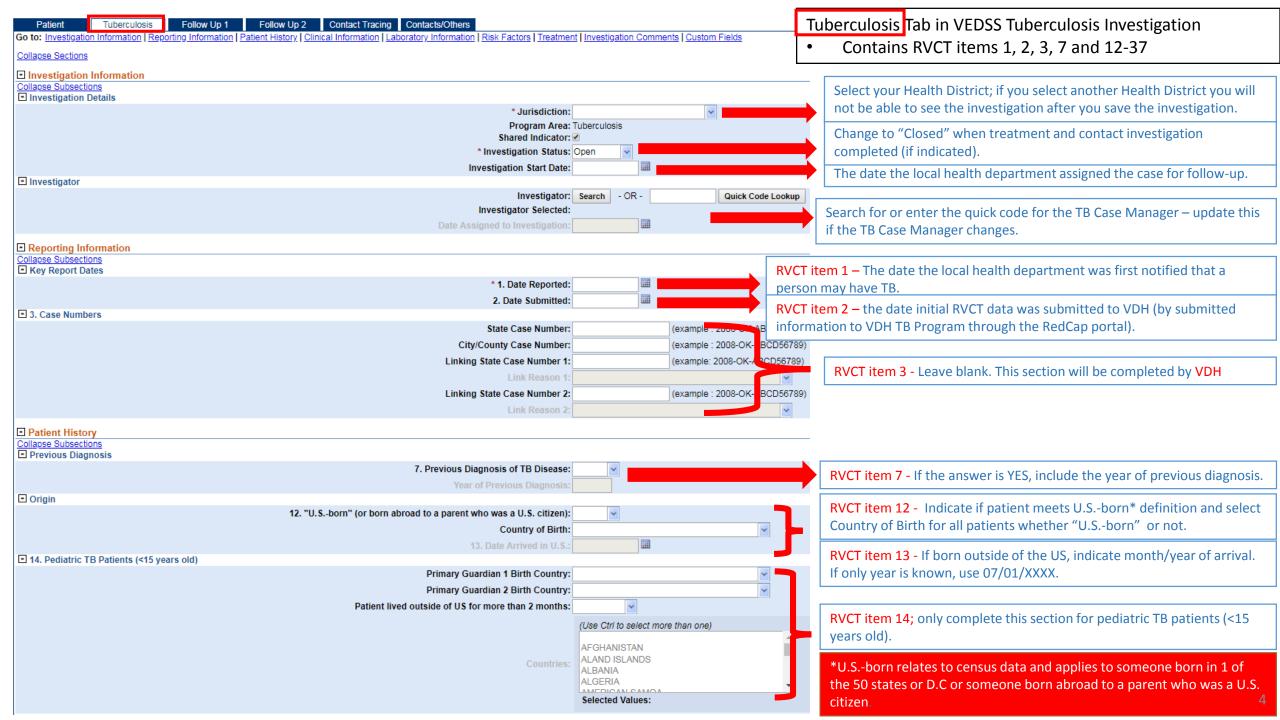


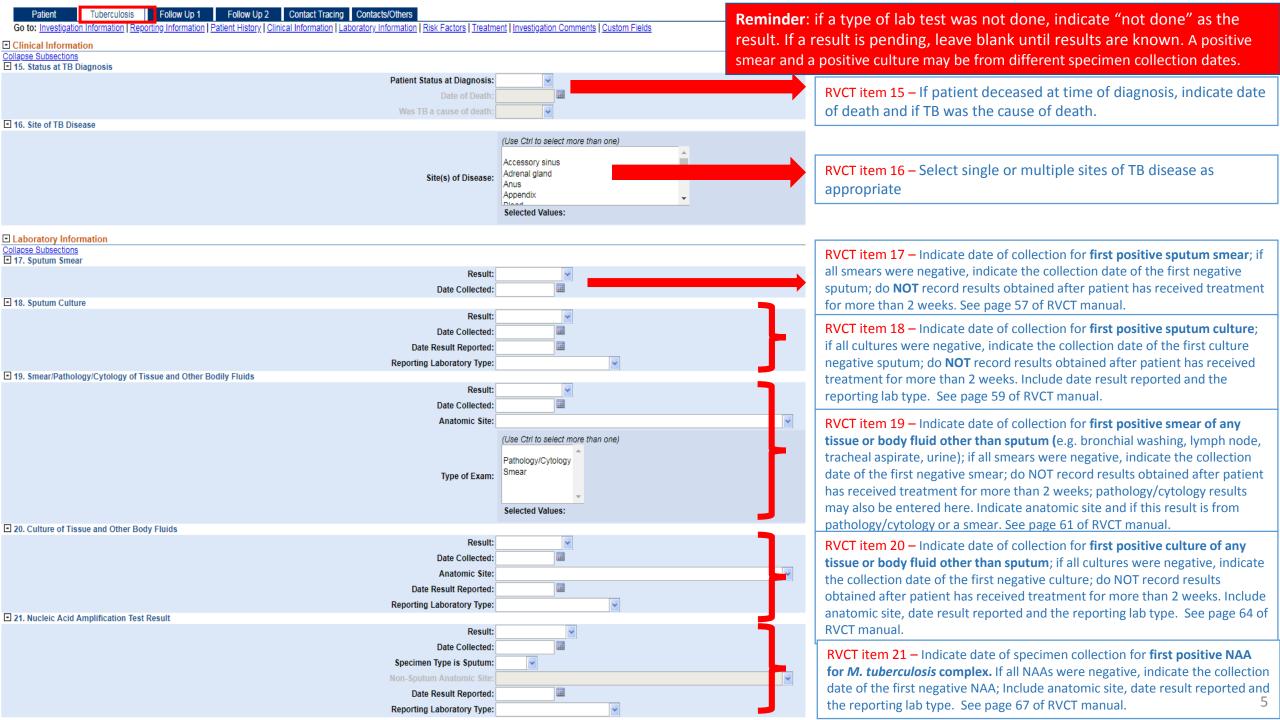
- To reopen a section for editing or to add new information, click the "Edit" button at the top or bottom of the VEDSS page.
- To print a PDF version of the RVCT at any time, click "Print CDC Form".



• At this time, do not enter data on the Contact Tracing or Contact/Others tabs.









RVCT item 22A – Select result of initial chest x-ray if done and indicate if any initial x-ray showed evidence of cavity or miliary TB.

RVCT item 22B — Select result of initial chest CT scan or other imaging study if done and indicate if any initial CT scan or other imaging study showed evidence of cavity or miliary TB.

RVCT item 23 — Indicate if a TST was performed. If you have documented results from a prior TST in the medical record (not just self-report) this may be entered if a TST is not performed during the current diagnostic evaluation. If performed, indicated date placed and induration.

RVCT item 24 — Indicate if an IGRA was performed during the diagnostic evaluation. If performed, include date collected and test type (T-Spot, Quantiferon Gold).

**RVCT item 25** — Select the single or initial reason the patient was evaluated for TB disease (the situation or reason that led to the initial suspicion that the patient might have TB disease).

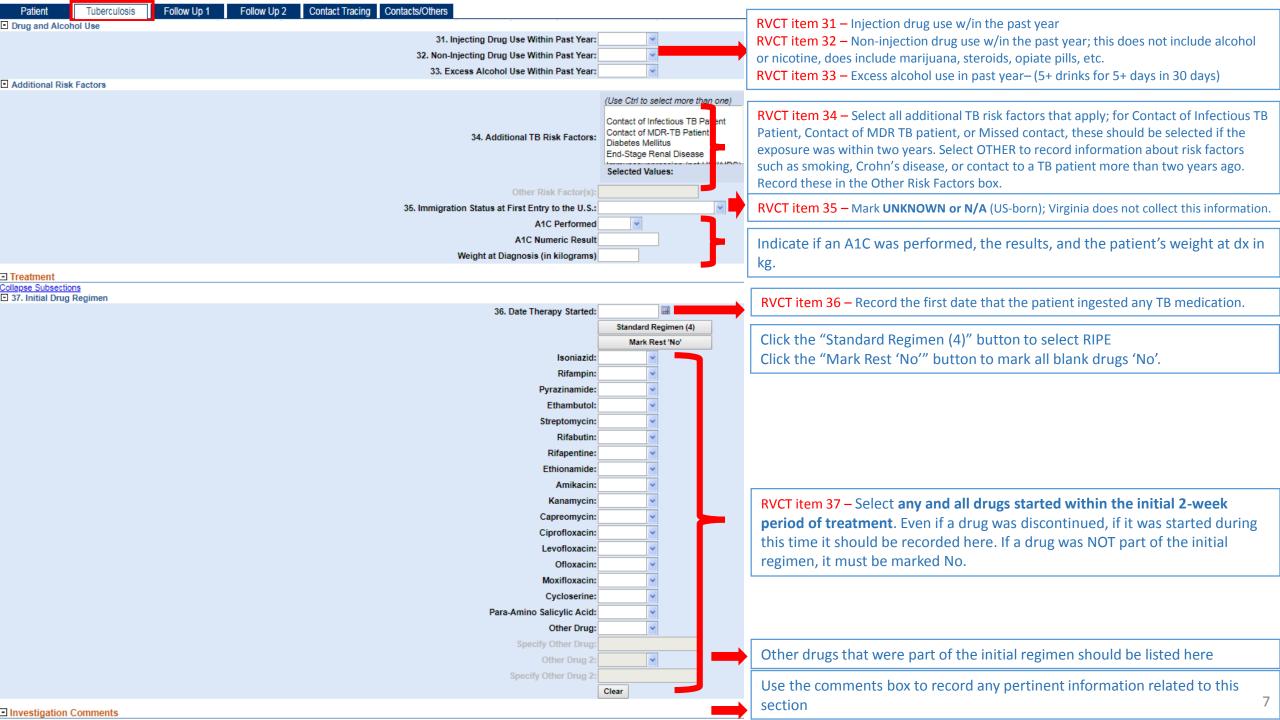
RVCT item 26 — Select the appropriate response. If a patient has a documented negative HIV test from less than 1 year prior to the TB diagnostic evaluation and reports no risk factors, this result may be used. VDH will enter the State HIV/AIDS Patient Number. Leave City/County HIV/AIDS Patient number blank.

RVCT item 27 – Mark yes if patient was experiencing homelessness at **any time** during the 12 months prior to TB diagnosis.

RVCT item 28— Mark yes if patient was an inmate when the TB diagnostic evaluation was performed/initiated. If yes, select a facility type.

RVCT item 29— Mark yes if patient was a resident of a LTCF when the TB diagnostic evaluation was performed/initiated (e.g. nursing home, assisted living, mental health facility, alcohol or drug treatment facility). If yes, select a facility type.

RVCT item 30— Select most appropriate primary occupation choice. Add details in comments section. Health care worker supersedes other options (e.g. if the patient is a health care worker in a correctional facility, select health care worker).



## Case Verification Tab in VEDSS Tuberculosis Investigation

- Contains RVCT items 5 and 6.
- This tab will appear once you have saved initial information on the Tuberculosis tab of the investigation.

supervisor or nurse manager. If you are submitting a notification for a Provider Diagnosed

case, please indicate details in the Notification Comments box such as the patient's symptoms have improved on treatment, the chest x-ray has improved on treatment, the

patient is scheduled to complete treatment, etc.

- An algorithm will determine your Case Verification and Case Status based on the lab and clinical information entered. These will update if you add additional information (i.e. positive culture) that change the case verification and status. You must save the investigation with the new information for these items to update.
- A notification should be submitted as soon as you have confirmed that a case should be counted. A case should NOT be counted if TB medication began outside of the United States, if a patient left the country prior to completing 90 days of TB medication, if this is recurrent TB within 12 months, or if the case has already been counted by another state. Contact TB

Case Verification – This will auto-populate based on clinical and lab info already

Notification Comments: treatment with documented weight gain and

improved chest x-ray. Tx completion planned.

Control with any questions about counting cases. entered on the TB tab. If the case does not meet a specific case definition, it will indicate 5-Suspect. If a provider is diagnosing TB in a patient and improvement **Tuberculosis** Case Verification Follow Up 1 Follow Up 2 Contact Tracing Contacts/Others on treatment is documented, you can update this to 4-Verified by Provider Diagnosis. If a case is ruled-out, you may select 0 – Not a Verified case. Case Verification Collapse Subsections RVCT item 5 – Update this item to "Count as a TB Case" if the case can be Case Verification counted by Virginia. If the case cannot be counted, select the appropriate choice Case Verification: 1 - Positive Culture from the drop down list (Counted by another US area, Recurrent TB within 12 Case Status: Confirmed 5. Count Status: Count as a TB Case months of completion of therapy, TB treatment initiated in another country). Country of Verified Case: 6. Date Counted: 06/15/2018 RVCT item 6 – Indicate the date that you determined the case could be counted MMWR Week: 24 (i.e. the date you received a positive culture result, a positive NAA result, MMWR Year: 2018 determined this to meet the clinical case definition, or determined that this Previous Next should be counted as a provider diagnosed case. MMWR Week and Year will populate automatically based on the date you enter. You can also reference a list **Tuberculosis** Case Verification Follow Up 1 Follow Up 2 Contact Tracing Contacts/Others of MMWR lists here. Associations Notifications Document Ownershi Create Notification – As soon as you have determined that your case should be counted, Create Notification create and submit a notification. In some districts this task may be performed by a nurse The patient's symptoms have improved on



Follow-Up 1 Tab in VEDSS Tuberculosis Investigation

Contains RVCT items 38-40

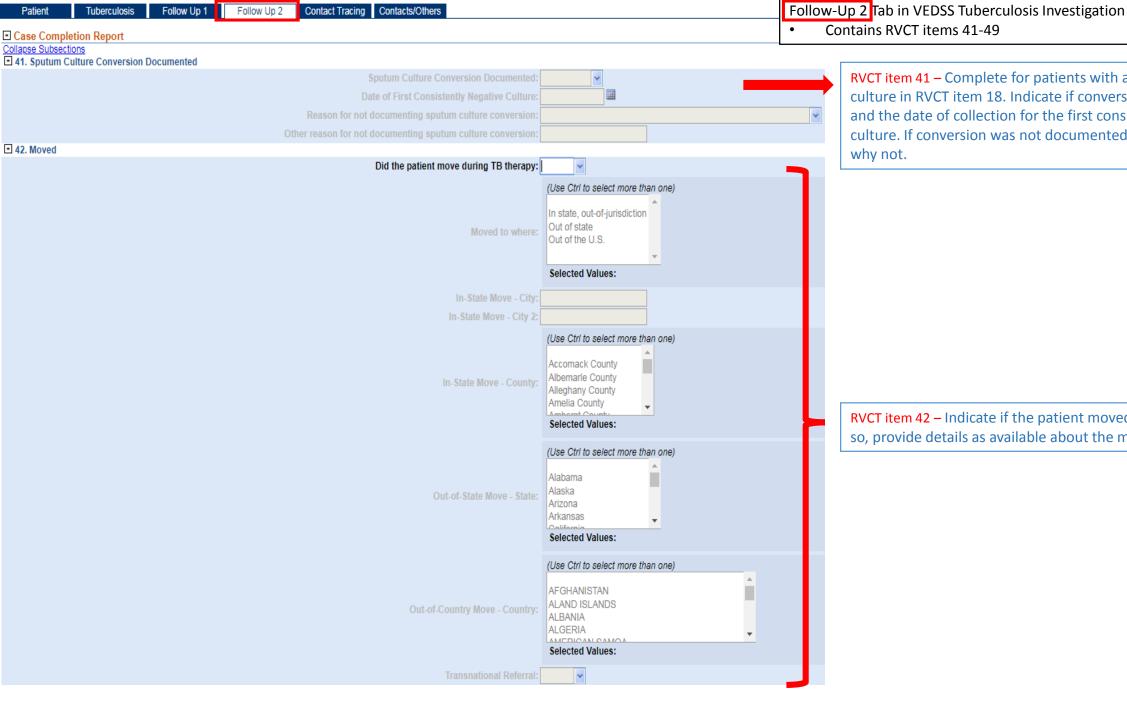
RVCT item 38 – Leave blank; VDH will complete this item

RVCT item 39 – Complete this if a positive culture was obtained from sputum or another site. Indicate if testing was done and if so the date of collection for the first specimen for which DST was done; indicate if sputum or another site. This section is **ONLY** for conventional DST results. Do **NOT** enter molecular results here.

RVCT item 40 – Record the results of initial DST on the first specimen on which DST was performed. If DST was not performed for certain drugs, mark "Not Done" instead of leaving blank. This section is **ONLY** for conventional DST results. Do **NOT** enter molecular results here.

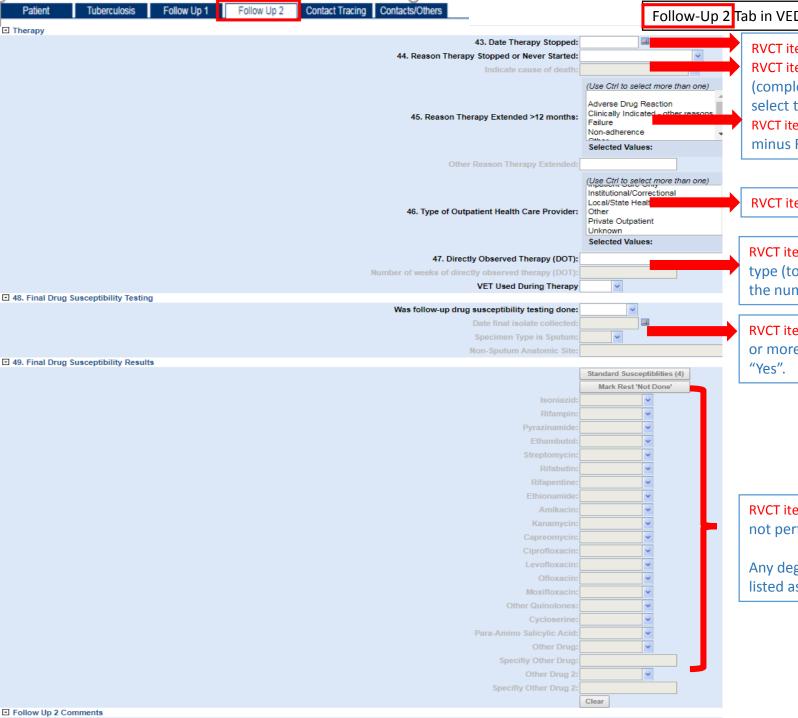
Any degree of resistance, even at a low concentration of the drug, should be listed as resistant.

Use this comments section to note molecular results or other comments referring to this section.



RVCT item 41 – Complete for patients with a positive sputum culture in RVCT item 18. Indicate if conversion was documented and the date of collection for the first consistently negative culture. If conversion was not documented, indicate a reason

RVCT item 42 – Indicate if the patient moved during TB therapy. If so, provide details as available about the move.



Follow-Up 2 Tab in VEDSS Tuberculosis Investigation - Contains RVCT items 41-49

RVCT item 43 – Indicate the date the patient last ingested TB medication RVCT item 44 – Indicate the primary reason the patient stopped therapy (completed, lost, uncooperative etc.). If the patient never started treatment, select this option.

RVCT item 45 – If therapy was longer than 12 months duration (RVCT item 43 minus RVCT item 36), indicate the reason(s) therapy was extended.

RVCT item 46 – Select all types of providers who cared for the patient

RVCT item 47 – Indicate if DOT was used during this patient's care and if so what type (totally DOT vs. some DOT and some self-administered, etc.) Also indicate the number of DOT weeks and if Video Enhanced Therapy was used.

RVCT item 48 – Indicate if DST testing was performed on a specimen collected 30 or more days after the specimen used for initial DST. Include specimen details if

RVCT item 49 – Indicate results of final DST testing if performed. Leave blank if not performed (and indicate "No" in RVCT item 48).

Any degree of resistance, even at a low concentration of the drug, should be listed as resistant.